

**Executive Host Information 2005
Placement Week November 15-19, 2004**

Office Name: Oceanographer of the Navy

Position Title: Knauss Fellow

How many total staff are in your immediate office / branch? (Select one option, mark with X)

1-5	
6-10	x
> 10	

Have you previously hosted a Sea Grant fellow (Select one option, mark with X)

Yes	x
No	

If yes, how many? 1 per year for a total of 12-15 over the years

If fellow is currently on assignment, please provide contact information.

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Does your office accept non-United States (foreign) citizens? (Select one option, mark with X)

Yes	
No	x

Organizational Overview

Mission Statement: (Please limit to 30 words.)

The Oceanographer of the Navy plans, coordinates and implements the Naval Oceanography Program, which includes meteorology and oceanography (METOC), geospatial information and services (GI&S), precise time, time interval and astrometry (PTA), and navigation.

Brief Overview of Your Office's work: (Please limit to 150 words.)

The U.S. Navy has been involved in meteorology and oceanography since the mid 1800s and today continues to be a leader in the advancement of meteorological and oceanographic operations, research and technology. Navy METOC characterizes the operational environment in terms of its physical, chemical, geological and biological parameters, allowing the Navy to safely and effectively carry out its mission. The Oceanographer's office falls under Space, Information Warfare Command and Control (N61) in the office of the Chief of Naval Operations. The program liaison staff are situated in the Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Division, Interoperability Branch. The Oceanographer serves as the resource sponsor for the Naval METOC community and is responsible for transforming the needs of the fleet for environmental prediction into Navy requirements. This office works within the Navy

and with other groups to set high-level METOC policy. It coordinates with the other uniformed services, other agencies, and other countries and international organizations to identify and develop cooperative opportunities in oceanography and meteorology that will enhance the Navy mission.

Do you have partnership projects, multi-agency workgroups, or working relationships with other offices? Please list.

NOAA (Naval Deputy to NOAA)
National Oceanographic Partnership Program and Ocean.US (NOPP, multi-agency)
White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ)
IOC, WMO, NATO (international)

Assignment Description.

It is understood that the fellow's specific responsibilities will be tailored to his / her unique skills and interests. Please articulate probable assignments and duties and the education / professional development that these tasks will bring to the fellow.

Estimated Fellow Travel, Out-of-Office: (Select one option, mark with X)

0 days / month	
1-3 days / month	x
4-7 days / month	
8-10 days / month	
> 2 weeks / month	

Estimated DC-Area Travel: (Select one option, mark with X)

0 days / month	
1-3 days / month	
4-7 days / month	
8-10 days / month	x
> 2 weeks / month	

Does this position require mandatory skills: (Select one option, mark with X)

Yes	
No	x

Desired Background Skills: Please list. (e.g. strong written / communication skills, knowledge of Microsoft PowerPoint software, etc.).

Strong written/oral communication skills
Knowledge of Microsoft Office programs, Outlook email
Strong technical background in oceanography is useful but not critical

In 300 words or less, please describe the tasks, duties, or projects the fellow will undertake, the skills a fellow will gain, and the deliverables a fellow can expect to produce from completing these tasks.

The liaison group in the Oceanographer's office focuses externally to facilitate and coordinate the Navy's operational METOC activities with other services (e.g. Air Force and Marine Corps), federal agencies (e.g. NOAA as Naval Deputy to that agency, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency NGA), and international organizations (e.g. Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, NATO, World Meteorological Organization). The staff also works with the Technical Director on issues of relevance to the National Oceanographic Partnership Program (NOPP) and Ocean.US, the program office for an integrated, sustained ocean observing system, and the National Science and Technology Council Joint Subcommittee on Oceans (NSTC JSO). The Oceanographer is co-chair of a Department of Defense (DoD) Task Force in support of the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy (USCOP). This Task Force will continue to work with other Navy and DoD offices to develop ways in which to implement the recommendations of the Commission in accordance with the White House Council on Environmental Quality and the Administration response to the Commission's Final Report. In support of the aforementioned activities, the Fellow can expect to take on specific issues as they arise - collecting and analyzing information through meetings and discussions with relevant staff in and outside of Navy; preparing point papers, briefings, and white papers on issues for the Technical Director, Oceanographer and interagency groups. In support of this, the Fellow can also expect to travel to DoD installations and relevant meetings outside of Washington D.C. Deliverables include a high-level, big-picture view of oceanographic issues within the federal government, introduction to new and emerging technologies in oceanography, and a unique look at the interplay between civilian and military ocean activities.